Council on Human Resources March 20, 2008 Minutes

Sara Wilson, director of the Department of Human Resource Management and ex officio member of the council, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. and determined there was not a quorum present.

Ms. Wilson presented the results of the Government Performance Project, which ranked Virginia's "People" programs the best in the nation.

She also provided information about legislation that was pending in the General Assembly, including a "meet and confer" bill that was in the house. Ms. Wilson told Council members that a legislative tracking system was available on the DHRM Web site.

Rue White, director of the Office of Agency Human Resources Services, presented an overview of the policy on educational assistance. In response to a question from Council Member Marvin Boots about how educational assistance is applied in each agency, Ms. White said that agencies develop their own policies, so they vary greatly in how assistance is provided. Member Betty Bowman noted that because of budget cuts finding funds for training will be difficult.

Mary Habel, director of the Office of Health Benefits, provided information on the Medicare Part D Direction 2009 Focus Groups. She advised council members that a "decision needs to be made about the future of the program." She expected a final decision to be made prior to January, 2009.

In the absence of a quorum, no election of officers was held. There being no further business before the council, the meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m.